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Lecture 22

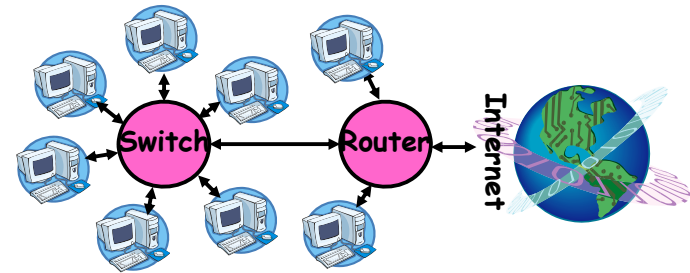
Networking II

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Review: Point-to-point networks



- **Point-to-point network:** a network in which every physical wire is connected to only two computers
- **Switch:** a bridge that transforms a shared-bus (broadcast) configuration into a point-to-point network.
- **Hub:** a multiport device that acts like a repeater broadcasting from each input to every output
- **Router:** a device that acts as a junction between two networks to transfer data packets among them.

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Review: Address Subnets

- **Subnet:** A network connecting a set of hosts with related destination addresses
- With IP, all the addresses in subnet are related by a prefix of bits
  - **Mask:** The number of matching prefix bits
    - » Expressed as a single value (e.g., 24) or a set of ones in a 32-bit value (e.g., 255.255.255.0)
- A subnet is identified by 32-bit value, with the bits which differ set to zero, followed by a slash and a mask
  - Example: 128.32.131.0/24 designates a subnet in which all the addresses look like 128.32.131.XX
  - Same subnet: 128.32.131.0/255.255.255.0
- Difference between subnet and complete network range
  - Subnet is always a subset of address range
  - Once, subnet meant single physical broadcast wire; now, less clear exactly what it means (virtualized by switches)

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Goals for Today

- Networking
  - Routing
  - DNS
  - Routing
  - TCP/IP Protocols

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## Address Ranges in IP V4

- IP address space divided into prefix-delimited ranges:
  - Class A: NN.0.0.0/8
    - » NN is 1-126 (126 of these networks)
    - » 16,777,214 IP addresses per network
    - » 10.xx.yy.zz is private
    - » 127.xx.yy.zz is loopback
  - Class B: NN.MM.0.0/16
    - » NN is 128-191, MM is 0-255 (16,384 of these networks)
    - » 65,534 IP addresses per network
    - » 172.[16-31].xx.yy are private
  - Class C: NN.MM.LL.0/24
    - » NN is 192-223, MM and LL 0-255 (2,097,151 of these networks)
    - » 254 IP addresses per networks
    - » 192.168.xx.yy are private
- Address ranges are often owned by organizations
  - Can be further divided into subnets

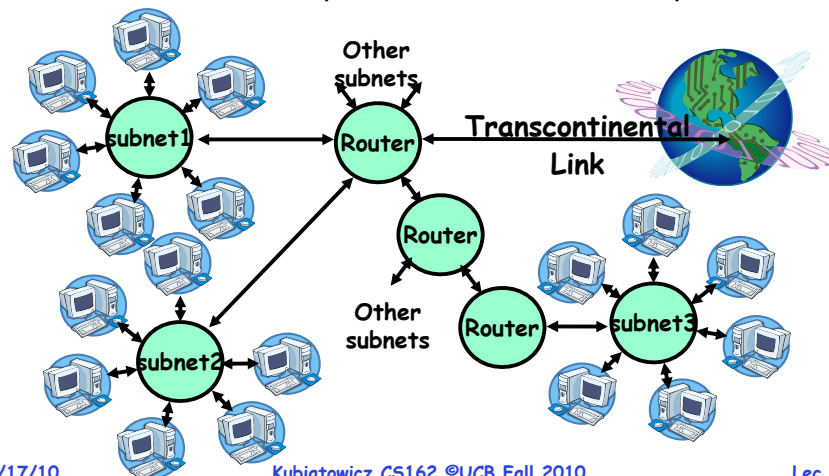
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## Hierarchical Networking: The Internet

- How can we build a network with millions of hosts?
  - Hierarchy! Not every host connected to every other one
  - Use a network of Routers to connect subnets together
    - » Routing is often by prefix: e.g. first router matches first 8 bits of address, next router matches more, etc.



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## Simple Network Terminology

- Local-Area Network (LAN) - designed to cover small geographical area
  - Multi-access bus, ring, or star network
  - Speed  $\approx$  10 - 1000 Megabits/second
  - Broadcast is fast and cheap
  - In small organization, a LAN could consist of a single subnet. In large organizations (like UC Berkeley), a LAN contains many subnets
- Wide-Area Network (WAN) - links geographically separated sites
  - Point-to-point connections over long-haul lines (often leased from a phone company)
  - Speed  $\approx$  1.544 - 45 Megabits/second
  - Broadcast usually requires multiple messages

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## Routing

- Routing: the process of forwarding packets hop-by-hop through routers to reach their destination
  - Need more than just a destination address!
    - » Need a path
  - Post Office Analogy:
    - » Destination address on each letter is not sufficient to get it to the destination
    - » To get a letter from here to Florida, must route to local post office, sorted and sent on plane to somewhere in Florida, be routed to post office, sorted and sent with carrier who knows where street and house is...
- Internet routing mechanism: routing tables
  - Each router does table lookup to decide which link to use to get packet closer to destination
  - Don't need 4 billion entries in table: routing is by subnet
  - Could packets be sent in a loop? Yes, if tables incorrect
- Routing table contains:
  - Destination address range  $\rightarrow$  output link closer to destination
  - Default entry (for subnets without explicit entries)



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## Setting up Routing Tables

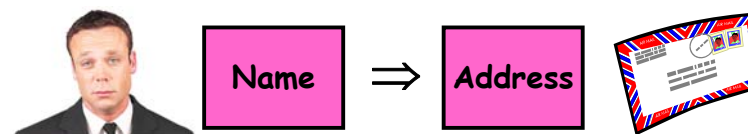
- How do you set up routing tables?
  - Internet has no centralized state!
    - » No single machine knows entire topology
    - » Topology constantly changing (faults, reconfiguration, etc)
  - Need dynamic algorithm that acquires routing tables
    - » Ideally, have one entry per subnet or portion of address
    - » Could have "default" routes that send packets for unknown subnets to a different router that has more information
- Possible algorithm for acquiring routing table
  - Routing table has "cost" for each entry
    - » Includes number of hops to destination, congestion, etc.
    - » Entries for unknown subnets have infinite cost
  - Neighbors periodically exchange routing tables
    - » If neighbor knows cheaper route to a subnet, replace your entry with neighbors entry (+1 for hop to neighbor)
- In reality:
  - Internet has networks of many different scales
  - Different algorithms run at different scales

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## Naming in the Internet

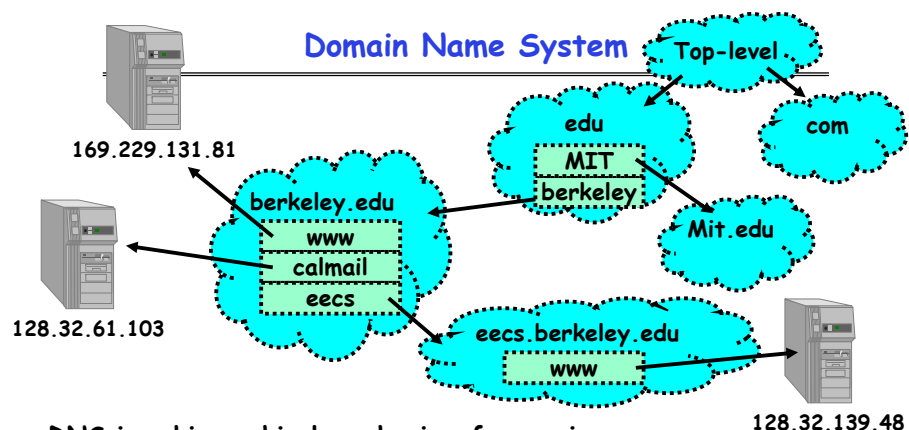


- How to map human-readable names to IP addresses?
  - E.g. `www.berkeley.edu`  $\Rightarrow$  `128.32.139.48`
  - E.g. `www.google.com`  $\Rightarrow$  different addresses depending on location, and load
- Why is this necessary?
  - IP addresses are hard to remember
  - IP addresses change:
    - » Say, Server 1 crashes gets replaced by Server 2
    - » Or - google.com handled by different servers
- Mechanism: Domain Naming System (DNS)

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- DNS is a hierarchical mechanism for naming
  - Name divided in domains, right to left: `www.eecs.berkeley.edu`
- Each domain owned by a particular organization
  - Top level handled by ICANN (Internet Corporation for Assigned Numbers and Names)
  - Subsequent levels owned by organizations
- Resolution: series of queries to successive servers
- Caching: queries take time, so results cached for period of time

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## How Important is Correct Resolution?

- If attacker manages to give incorrect mapping:
  - Can get someone to route to server, thinking that they are routing to a different server
    - » Get them to log into "bank" - give up username and password
- Is DNS Secure?
  - Definitely a weak link
    - » What if "response" returned from different server than original query?
    - » Get person to use incorrect IP address!
  - Attempt to avoid substitution attacks:
    - » Query includes random number which must be returned
- In July 2008, hole in DNS security located!
  - Dan Kaminsky (security researcher) discovered an attack that broke DNS globally
    - » One person in an ISP convinced to load particular web page, then *all* users of that ISP end up pointing at wrong address
  - High profile, highly advertised need for patching DNS
    - » Big press release, lots of mystery
    - » Security researchers told no speculation until patches applied

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## Administrivia

- Final Exam
  - Thursday 12/16, 8:00AM-11:00AM, 10 Evans
  - All material from the course
    - » With slightly more focus on second half, but you are still responsible for all the material
  - Two sheets of notes, both sides
  - Will need **dumb** calculator (No phones, devices with net)
- There *is* a lecture on Wednesday before Thanksgiving
  - Including this one, we are down to 6 lectures...!
- Optional Final Lecture: Monday 12/6
  - Send me topics you might want to hear about
  - Won't be responsible for topics on Final
  - Examples:
    - » Realtime OS, Secure Hardware, Quantum Computing
    - » Dragons... Etc.

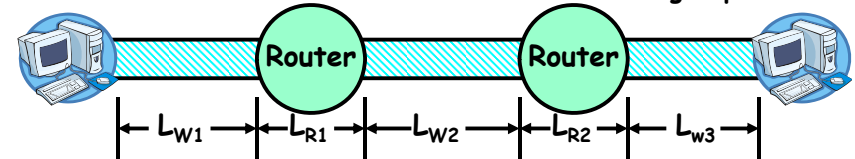
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## Performance Considerations

- Before we continue, need some performance metrics
  - **Overhead**: CPU time to put packet on wire
  - **Throughput**: Maximum number of bytes per second
    - » Depends on "wire speed", but also limited by slowest router (routing delay) or by congestion at routers
  - **Latency**: time until first bit of packet arrives at receiver
    - » Raw transfer time + overhead at each routing hop



- Contributions to Latency
  - Wire latency: depends on speed of light on wire
    - » about 1-1.5 ns/foot
  - Router latency: depends on internals of router
    - » Could be < 1 ms (for a good router)
    - » Question: can router handle full wire throughput?

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## Sample Computations

- E.g.: Ethernet within Soda
  - Latency: speed of light in wire is 1.5ns/foot, which implies latency in building < 1  $\mu$ s (if no routers in path)
  - Throughput: 10-1000Mb/s
  - Throughput delay: packet doesn't arrive until all bits
    - » So: 4KB/100Mb/s = 0.3 milliseconds (same order as disk!)
- E.g.: ATM within Soda
  - Latency (same as above, assuming no routing)
  - Throughput: 155Mb/s
  - Throughput delay: 4KB/155Mb/s = 200 $\mu$ s
- E.g.: ATM cross-country
  - Latency (assuming no routing):
    - » 3000miles \* 5000ft/mile  $\Rightarrow$  15 milliseconds
  - How many bits could be in transit at same time?
    - » 15ms \* 155Mb/s = 290KB
  - In fact, Berkeley  $\rightarrow$  MIT Latency ~ 45ms
    - » 872KB in flight if routers have wire-speed throughput
- Requirements for good performance:
  - Local area: minimize overhead/improve bandwidth
  - Wide area: keep pipeline full!

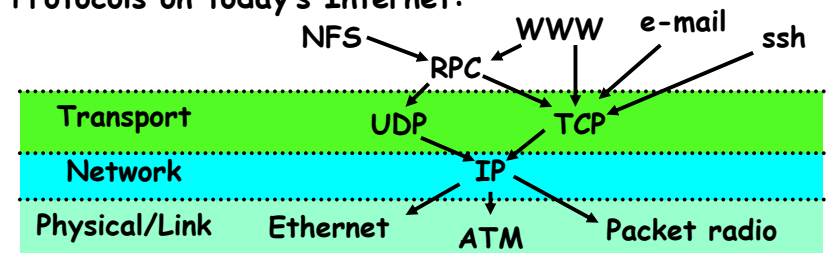
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## Network Protocols

- **Protocol**: Agreement between two parties as to how information is to be transmitted
  - Example: system calls are the protocol between the operating system and application
  - Networking examples: many levels
    - » Physical level: mechanical and electrical network (e.g. how are 0 and 1 represented)
    - » Link level: packet formats/error control (for instance, the CSMA/CD protocol)
    - » Network level: network routing, addressing
    - » Transport Level: reliable message delivery
- Protocols on today's Internet:



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## Network Layering

- **Layering:** building complex services from simpler ones
  - Each layer provides services needed by higher layers by utilizing services provided by lower layers
- The physical/link layer is pretty limited
  - Packets are of limited size (called the "Maximum Transfer Unit or MTU: often 200-1500 bytes in size)
  - Routing is limited to within a physical link (wire) or perhaps through a switch
- Our goal in the following is to show how to construct a secure, ordered, message service routed to anywhere:

| Physical Reality: Packets | Abstraction: Messages |
|---------------------------|-----------------------|
| Limited Size              | Arbitrary Size        |
| Unordered (sometimes)     | Ordered               |
| Unreliable                | Reliable              |
| Machine-to-machine        | Process-to-process    |
| Only on local area net    | Routed anywhere       |
| Asynchronous              | Synchronous           |
| Insecure                  | Secure                |

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## Building a messaging service

- Handling Arbitrary Sized Messages:
  - Must deal with limited physical packet size
  - Split big message into smaller ones (called fragments)
    - » Must be reassembled at destination
  - Checksum computed on each fragment or whole message
- Internet Protocol (IP): Must find way to send packets to arbitrary destination in network
  - Deliver messages unreliably ("best effort") from one machine in Internet to another
  - Since intermediate links may have limited size, must be able to fragment/reassemble packets on demand
  - Includes 256 different "sub-protocols" build on top of IP
    - » Examples: ICMP(1), TCP(6), UDP (17), IPSEC(50,51)

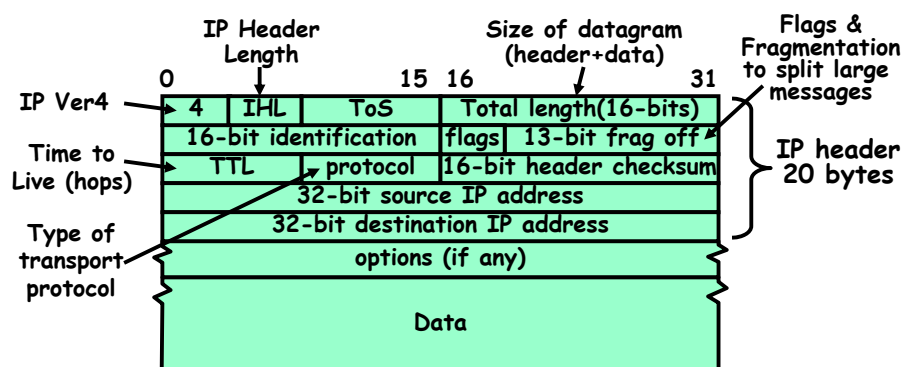
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## IP Packet Format

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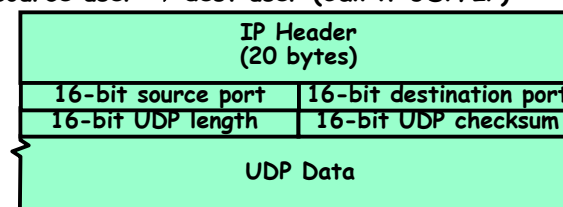
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## Building a messaging service

- Process to process communication
  - Basic routing gets packets from machine→machine
  - What we really want is routing from process→process
    - » Add "ports", which are 16-bit identifiers
    - » A communication channel (**connection**) defined by 5 items: [source addr, source port, dest addr, dest port, protocol]
- UDP: The Unreliable Datagram Protocol
  - Layered on top of basic IP (IP Protocol 17)
    - » **Datagram:** an unreliable, unordered, packet sent from source user → dest user (Call it UDP/IP)



- Important aspect: low overhead!
  - » Often used for high-bandwidth video streams
  - » Many uses of UDP considered "anti-social" - none of the "well-behaved" aspects of (say) TCP/IP

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## Sequence Numbers

- **Ordered Messages**
  - Several network services are best constructed by ordered messaging
    - » Ask remote machine to first do x, then do y, etc.
  - Unfortunately, underlying network is packet based:
    - » Packets are routed one at a time through the network
    - » Can take different paths or be delayed individually
  - IP can reorder packets!  $P_0, P_1$  might arrive as  $P_1, P_0$
- **Solution requires queuing at destination**
  - Need to hold onto packets to undo misordering
  - Total degree of reordering impacts queue size
- **Ordered messages on top of unordered ones:**
  - Assign sequence numbers to packets
    - » 0,1,2,3,4....
    - » If packets arrive out of order, reorder before delivering to user application
    - » For instance, hold onto #3 until #2 arrives, etc.
  - Sequence numbers are specific to particular connection
    - » Reordering among connections normally doesn't matter
  - If restart connection, need to make sure use different range of sequence numbers than previously...

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## Reliable Message Delivery: the Problem

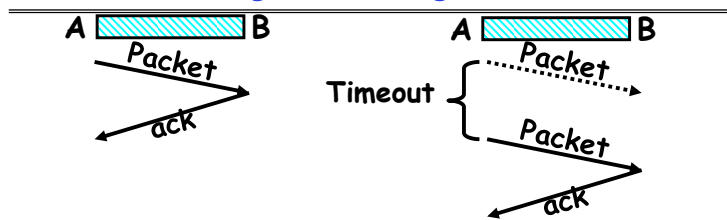
- **All physical networks can garble and/or drop packets**
  - Physical media: packet not transmitted/received
    - » If transmit close to maximum rate, get more throughput - even if some packets get lost
    - » If transmit at lowest voltage such that error correction just starts correcting errors, get best power/bit
  - Congestion: no place to put incoming packet
    - » Point-to-point network: insufficient queue at switch/router
    - » Broadcast link: two host try to use same link
    - » In any network: insufficient buffer space at destination
    - » Rate mismatch: what if sender send faster than receiver can process?
- **Reliable Message Delivery on top of Unreliable Packets**
  - Need some way to make sure that packets actually make it to receiver
    - » Every packet received at least once
    - » Every packet received at most once
  - Can combine with ordering: every packet received by process at destination exactly once and in order

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## Using Acknowledgements



- **How to ensure transmission of packets?**
  - Detect garbling at receiver via checksum, discard if bad
  - Receiver acknowledges (by sending "ack") when packet received properly at destination
  - Timeout at sender: if no ack, retransmit
- **Some questions:**
  - If the sender doesn't get an ack, does that mean the receiver didn't get the original message?
    - » No
  - What if ack gets dropped? Or if message gets delayed?
    - » Sender doesn't get ack, retransmits. Receiver gets message twice, acks each.

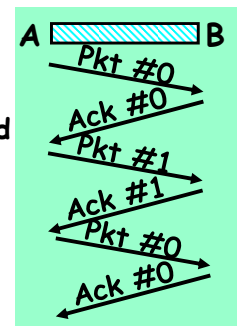
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## How to deal with message duplication

- **Solution: put sequence number in message to identify re-transmitted packets**
  - Receiver checks for duplicate #'s; Discard if detected
- **Requirements:**
  - Sender keeps copy of unack'ed messages
    - » Easy: only need to buffer messages
  - Receiver tracks possible duplicate messages
    - » Hard: when ok to forget about received message?
- **Alternating-bit protocol:**
  - Send one message at a time; don't send next message until ack received
  - Sender keeps last message; receiver tracks sequence # of last message received
- **Pros: simple, small overhead**
- **Con: Poor performance**
  - Wire can hold multiple messages; want to fill up at (wire latency × throughput)
- **Con: doesn't work if network can delay or duplicate messages arbitrarily**



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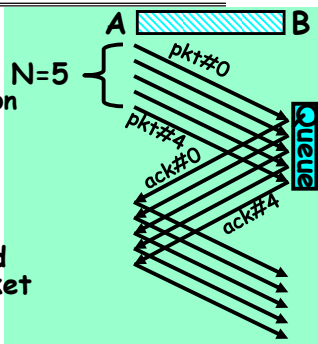
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## Better messaging: Window-based acknowledgements

### Windowing protocol (not quite TCP):

- Send up to N packets without ack
  - » Allows pipelining of packets
  - » Window size (N) < queue at destination
- Each packet has sequence number
  - » Receiver acknowledges each packet
  - » Ack says "received all packets up to sequence number X"/send more
- Acks serve dual purpose:
  - Reliability: Confirming packet received
  - Flow Control: Receiver ready for packet
    - » Remaining space in queue at receiver can be returned with ACK
- What if packet gets garbled/dropped?
  - Sender will timeout waiting for ack packet
    - » Resend missing packets ⇒ Receiver gets packets out of order!
  - Should receiver discard packets that arrive out of order?
    - » Simple, but poor performance
  - Alternative: Keep copy until sender fills in missing pieces?
    - » Reduces # of retransmits, but more complex
- What if ack gets garbled/dropped?
  - Timeout and resend just the un-acknowledged packets

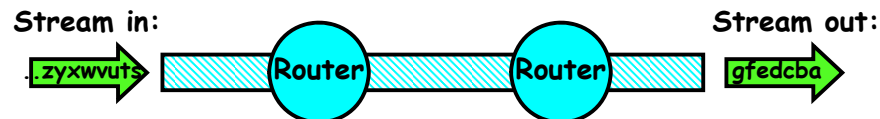


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## Transmission Control Protocol (TCP)



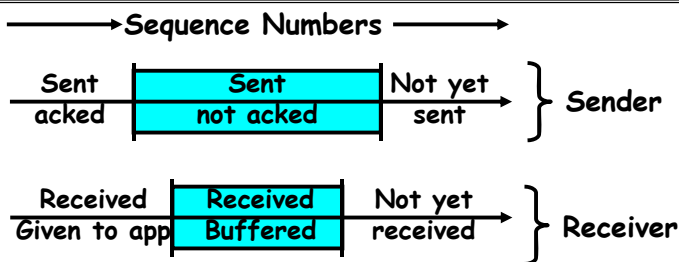
- Transmission Control Protocol (TCP)
  - TCP (IP Protocol 6) layered on top of IP
  - Reliable byte stream between two processes on different machines over Internet (read, write, flush)
- TCP Details
  - Fragments byte stream into packets, hands packets to IP
    - » IP may also fragment by itself
  - Uses window-based acknowledgement protocol (to minimize state at sender and receiver)
    - » "Window" reflects storage at receiver - sender shouldn't overrun receiver's buffer space
    - » Also, window should reflect speed/capacity of network - sender shouldn't overload network
  - Automatically retransmits lost packets
  - Adjusts rate of transmission to avoid congestion
    - » A "good citizen"

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## TCP Windows and Sequence Numbers



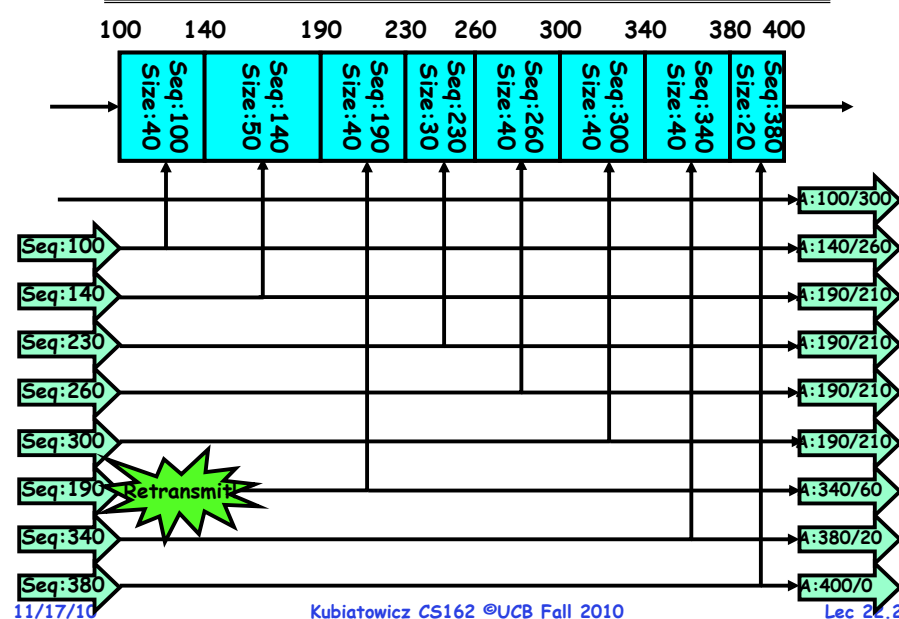
- Sender has three regions:
  - Sequence regions
    - » sent and ack'd
    - » Sent and not ack'd
    - » not yet sent
  - Window (colored region) adjusted by sender
- Receiver has three regions:
  - Sequence regions
    - » received and ack'd (given to application)
    - » received and buffered
    - » not yet received (or discarded because out of order)

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## Window-Based Acknowledgements (TCP)

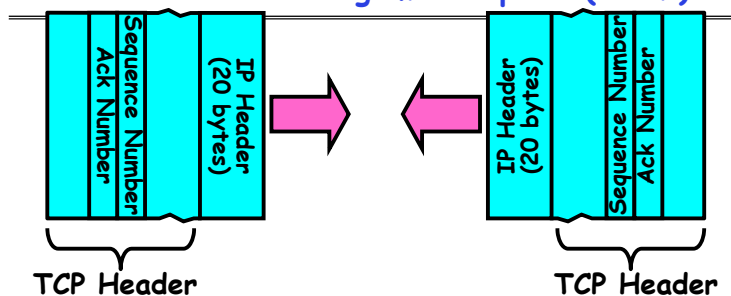


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## Selective Acknowledgement Option (SACK)



- **Vanilla TCP Acknowledgement**
  - Every message encodes Sequence number and Ack
  - Can include data for forward stream and/or ack for reverse stream
- **Selective Acknowledgement**
  - Acknowledgement information includes not just one number, but rather ranges of received packets
  - Must be specially negotiated at beginning of TCP setup
    - » Not widely in use (although in Windows since Windows 98)

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## Congestion Avoidance

- **Congestion**
  - How long should timeout be for re-sending messages?
    - » Too long → wastes time if message lost
    - » Too short → retransmit even though ack will arrive shortly
  - Stability problem: more congestion ⇒ ack is delayed ⇒ unnecessary timeout ⇒ more traffic ⇒ more congestion
    - » Closely related to window size at sender: too big means putting too much data into network
- **How does the sender's window size get chosen?**
  - Must be less than receiver's advertised buffer size
  - Try to match the rate of sending packets with the rate that the slowest link can accommodate
  - Sender uses an adaptive algorithm to decide size of N
    - » Goal: fill network between sender and receiver
    - » Basic technique: slowly increase size of window until acknowledgements start being delayed/lost
- **TCP solution: "slow start" (start sending slowly)**
  - If no timeout, slowly increase window size (throughput) by 1 for each ack received
  - Timeout ⇒ congestion, so cut window size in half
  - "Additive Increase, Multiplicative Decrease"

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## Sequence-Number Initialization

- **How do you choose an initial sequence number?**
  - When machine boots, ok to start with sequence #0?
    - » No: could send two messages with same sequence #!
    - » Receiver might end up discarding valid packets, or duplicate ack from original transmission might hide lost packet
  - Also, if it is possible to predict sequence numbers, might be possible for attacker to hijack TCP connection
- **Some ways of choosing an initial sequence number:**
  - Time to live: each packet has a deadline.
    - » If not delivered in X seconds, then is dropped
    - » Thus, can re-use sequence numbers if wait for all packets in flight to be delivered or to expire
  - Epoch #: uniquely identifies which set of sequence numbers are currently being used
    - » Epoch # stored on disk, Put in every message
    - » Epoch # incremented on crash and/or when run out of sequence #
  - Pseudo-random increment to previous sequence number
    - » Used by several protocol implementations

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## Use of TCP: Sockets

- **Socket:** an abstraction of a network I/O queue
  - Embodies one side of a communication channel
    - » Same interface regardless of location of other end
    - » Could be local machine (called "UNIX socket") or remote machine (called "network socket")
  - First introduced in 4.2 BSD UNIX: big innovation at time
    - » Now most operating systems provide some notion of socket
- **Using Sockets for Client-Server (C/C++ interface):**
  - On server: set up "server-socket"
    - » Create socket, Bind to protocol (TCP), local address, port
    - » Call listen(): tells server socket to accept incoming requests
    - » Perform multiple accept() calls on socket to accept incoming connection request
    - » Each successful accept() returns a new socket for a new connection; can pass this off to handler thread
  - On client:
    - » Create socket, Bind to protocol (TCP), remote address, port
    - » Perform connect() on socket to make connection
    - » If connect() successful, have socket connected to server

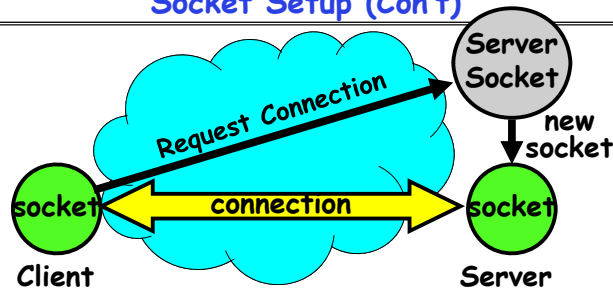
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## Socket Setup (Con't)



- Things to remember:
  - Connection involves 5 values:  
[ Client Addr, Client Port, Server Addr, Server Port, Protocol ]
  - Often, Client Port "randomly" assigned
    - » Done by OS during client socket setup
  - Server Port often "well known"
    - » 80 (web), 443 (secure web), 25 (sendmail), etc
    - » Well-known ports from 0–1023
- Note that the uniqueness of the tuple is really about two Addr/Port pairs and a protocol

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## Socket Example (Java)

```
server:
//Makes socket, binds addr/port, calls listen()
ServerSocket sock = new ServerSocket(6013);
while(true) {
    Socket client = sock.accept();
    PrintWriter pout = new
        PrintWriter(client.getOutputStream(),true);

    pout.println("Here is data sent to client!");
    ...
    client.close();
}

client:
// Makes socket, binds addr/port, calls connect()
Socket sock = new Socket("169.229.60.38",6013);
BufferedReader bin =
    new BufferedReader(
        new InputStreamReader(sock.getInputStream()));
String line;
while ((line = bin.readLine())!=null)
    System.out.println(line);
sock.close();
```

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## Conclusion

- **DNS**: System for mapping from names⇒IP addresses
  - Hierarchical mapping from authoritative domains
  - Recent flaws discovered
- **Datagram**: a self-contained message whose arrival, arrival time, and content are not guaranteed
- Performance metrics
  - **Overhead**: CPU time to put packet on wire
  - **Throughput**: Maximum number of bytes per second
  - **Latency**: time until first bit of packet arrives at receiver
- Ordered messages:
  - Use sequence numbers and reorder at destination
- Reliable messages:
  - Use Acknowledgements
- **TCP**: Reliable byte stream between two processes on different machines over Internet (read, write, flush)
  - Uses window-based acknowledgement protocol
  - Congestion-avoidance dynamically adapts sender window to account for congestion in network

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